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## LATE NOMINATIONS FOR 2021 TRIPLE CROWN SERIES DUE MONDAY

## Nominations can be made online at www.thetriplecrown.com

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Friday, March 26, 2021)** – The late nomination period for all 3-year-old Thoroughbreds to compete in the races of the 2021 Triple Crown are due by Monday with a \$6,000 payment.

Late Triple Crown nominations can be made online at <a href="www.thetriplecrown.com">www.thetriplecrown.com</a> or by calling the Churchill Downs Racing Office at (502) 638-3825. Information regarding mailing nomination forms can be found on <a href="www.thetriplecrown.com">www.thetriplecrown.com</a>.

The 2021 Triple Crown opens on Saturday, May 1 with the 147th running of the 1 ¼-mile Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky. The 146th Preakness, its 1 3/16-mile second jewel, is set for Saturday, May 15 at Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore, Md. The 153rd running of the Belmont Stakes, the series' 1 ½-mile final leg, is scheduled for Saturday, June 5 at Belmont Park in Elmont, N.Y.

This year's early Triple Crown nominations, which cost \$600 and closed Jan. 23, attracted 326 horses.

Any horse not nominated during the early or late phases can become Triple Crown eligible through a supplemental nomination payment due at the time of entry for each Triple Crown race: Kentucky Derby (\$200,000), Preakness (\$100,000), and Belmont (\$50,000)

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